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GREENBELT,

## GHI Keeps Present Fuel Supplier; GDC Discusses Rental Problems

by Al Skolnik

The Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board of directors has decided to continue present arrangements with its oil supplier, Takoma Fuel Oil Co., for the coming heating season. This decision was made at the board's July 18 meeting after management reported that a switch in suppliers would apparently not be in accordance with the regulations of the Federal Energy Office (FEO).

In accordance with GHI by-laws, the corporation had asked for fuel oil bids. Takoma was not the low bidder but subsequently it informed GHI that it would match the low bidder. The GHI board was disturbed over this development and consulted with FEO officials.

These officials gave GHI to understand that they might not approve a shift in base-year supplier because GHI fell into the category of supplier-wholesaler/purchaser-consumer relationships that FEO is desirous of not disrupting for the duration of the Mandatory Petroleum Allocation Program.

One of the other bidders had argued that GHI's relationship with Takoma was terminated by Takoma's act of bidding, but this interpretation of the regulations is being challenged in the courts.

In view of the doubts raised as to the legality of GHI changing base suppliers and the GHI understanding that FEO regulation require that purchasers-consumers remain with their base-year suppliers, the board unanimously voted to stay with its present supplier Takoma.

The Takoma price for #2 oil is 31.15c a gallon and for #4 oil 32.75c. Takoma also agreed to continue the 12-month option GHI has to participate up to 50 percent in any lower-cost outside purchases of #2 oil, up to an additional 750,000 gallons, which Takoma arranges with majority suppliers.

### GDC Meeting

At the Greenbelt Development Corporation meeting preceding the GHI meeting, the GDC board of directors elected as its officers the same officers of the GHI board. (At the July 11 meeting of the GDC stockholders, the entire GHI board was elected as GDC directors.)

Following the election of James Smith as president, Don Volk as vice-president, Steve Polaschik as secretary, and James Foster as treasurer, the GDC board approved a new leasing document for the GDC tenants occupying the apartments on Parkway. The changes were intended to bring the document up to date with the latest legal requirements.

The GDC board also agreed to start the practice of requiring of new tenants a security deposit equivalent to a month's rent.

Considerable discussion took place on the possible effects of proposed revisions in the county rental control laws. Income and expenditures for the Parkway Apartments have always been very much in balance with the result that any limitations on rentals threaten to put the operation in the red.

The board, for example, was contemplating seeking another "pass-through" for a rent increase to cover a portion of the cost of the installation of the variable temperature controls, the 11-cent city tax rate increase, and the garbage collection rate increase.

Among the proposals before the county council are ones to negate the second pass-through and to put maximums on the pass-through. Some board members expressed the opinion that if such

tight rent controls continue for any length of time, GDC might seriously have to consider converting the apartments to cooperatives.

## GOP Meets, Urges Filling Vacancies

At a special meeting in Greenbelt, Michael Gendel, chairman of the County Republican State Central Committee announced that 70% of the offices on the Republican primary ballot had been filled. He urged local Republicans interested in becoming candidates for the vacant slots to be filled by nomination of the State Central Committee to contact him through the party headquarters, 277-4646 or plan to attend the interview sessions. Interviews will be held on July 29 at 8204 Baltimore Blvd., Room 4, behind McDonald's at 8 p.m.

Vacancies exist for 5 Senate, and 10 Delegate seats and the second District Council seat as well as State's Attorney and a few other county-wide seats.

Co-Chairmen of the District, Hamer Campbell and Lorraine Kirker, both of Greenbelt, outlined plans for registering more Republicans in the district before the cut-off date of August 12 for the Sept. 10 primary. People may register every Thursday, 7-9 p.m. at Klein's in the Beltway Plaza or via postal-card application by phone to the Board of Elections, Upper Marlboro, 627-3000. Republicans are urged to call Campbell at 474-3252 or Mrs. Kirker at 474-8781, evenings. Those who wish to volunteer for precinct work should contact their precinct chairman or co-district chairmen.

Mrs. Eunice Coxon, who moderated the meeting, was appointed Republican chief judge for the North End precinct, replacing Mrs. Elizabeth Maffay who is running for the House of Delegates.

### Snag Hits SHL Rec. Center

The city's hope to move ahead quickly on the construction of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center hit another temporary snag when the County Department of Licenses and Permits (DLP) refused final plans and specifications for review. DLP will not issue a building permit until it receives a letter of sewer authorization from the appropriate agency, as required under new county law.

Such a letter was promised by the State Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene (SDHMH) at a meeting with city officials on June 17. At that time the city requested SDHMH to reconsider its original denial of an exception to the sewer moratorium for the SHL recreation center. SDHMH agreed to give permission to hook up toilet facilities in the recreation building, provided that the facilities in the existing clubhouse were disconnected. The tradeoff was satisfactory to the city.

City manager James K. Giese contacted SDHMH, and was informed that the letter of sewer authorization will be sent to DLP this week.

### WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., July 25, 8:15 p.m., PR-AB Special Meeting - Youth Center

Fri., July 26, 8:30 p.m., Duplicate Bridge, Co-op Hospitality Room

Sun., July 28, 7:45 p.m., First U.S. Army Stage Band, Lake Park Bandstand.

Wed., July 31, 4 p.m., Reception for Henry Thurston, Municipal Building.

## Henry R. Thurston Retires After 18 Years

Henry R. Thurston, 16-N Ridge Road, retired last week after eighteen years of service with the city. A crewman in the Public Works Department, Henry's job included removing the trash and litter scattered around the commercial center.

Public Works' Director Albert "Buddy" Attick praised Henry for his loyalty to the city and his reliability and faithfulness to his job. Noting that Henry's workday began at 4 a.m., Attick commented that Henry could always be counted on to be at work - regardless of weather.

A fisherman, Henry is looking forward to his retirement as an opportunity to do more deep sea fishing.

A retirement reception in Henry's honor, to which all his friends are invited, will be held on Wednesday, July 31, 1974 at 4 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

## Kenneth Berger Appointed Rabbi at Mishkan Torah

Mishkan Torah Synagogue, a Conservative Congregation, announces the appointment of Rabbi Kenneth Berger as its new spiritual leader. A 1974 graduate of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Philadelphia, he will take over the pulpit on Aug. 1 and will officiate at services on Fri., August 2 at 8:30 p.m. and Sat., Aug. 3 at 9:30 a.m.

Rabbi Berger served as an instructor at Akiba Hebrew Academy and as an assistant to Rabbi Hausen at the Main Line Reform Temple, both in the Philadelphia area. He received the Bachelor of Arts and the Master of Arts degrees in Sociology from Temple University, and also studied at Dropsie University and the University of Jerusalem in Israel.

Kenneth Berger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Berger of Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. He is married to Aviva Ben Ayoun of Haifa, Israel and has a daughter Avigail, age one.



— Photo by Byron Kabran

## NASA Will Grant Easement If EPA Issues Permit To The Greenbriar Development

by Al and Elaine Skolnik

In a document that contained few surprises, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) through its Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) has announced its intention to grant an easement for the discharge of effluent from the Greenbriar sewage treatment plant, provided the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issues a discharge permit under the Federal Pollution Control Act of 1972. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources issued a permit for the construction of the treatment plant several months ago.

The easement had been requested by Greenbriar Associates, developer of the 1,193-unit apartment complex, so that an 8-inch cast iron pipe, at a depth of approximately 3 feet, could be laid 150 feet across GSFC property to convey treated sewage effluent to a discharge point on an unnamed tributary of Beaver Dam Creek also on GSFC property. The treated effluent will be coming from an on-site temporary private treatment plant situated on the northern apex of the triangular Greenbriar parcel located east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

The decision of NASA was contained in a favorable Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which reiterated the draft EIS conclusion of February 10, 1974 that the effluent appears to meet all applicable Federal, State, and local standards. NASA supported the claims of the developer and the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene that the proposed plant with its safeguards will "yield an effluent of a higher quality than the stream so that degradation of the water cannot take place unless there is a complete operational breakdown." Such an occurrence can be considered most unlikely, the agency said.

The EIS placed much stress on the WSSC requirement that the temporary treatment plant will be dismantled when public sewer service becomes available (mid-1975). It thus foresaw no long-term impact on the stream.

### Answers Objections

The latest EIS, however, did attempt to respond to the adverse comments that had been received on the earlier draft. Critics had charged that the report did not deal with the need for virus standards and nitrogen removal, the failure to provide for a public hearing the precedent involved, method of sludge removal, and alternatives.

With respect to the need for virus standards and nitrogen removal, NASA took the basic position that it is not within its purview to substitute its judgment for that of EPA and other expert agencies. At its permit hearing in May, EPA reported that it would not impose nitrogen removal because of the short-term operation of the Greenbriar plant. In

addition, EPA felt that any additional amount of nitrogen generated by the plant would have no significant impact upon the stream in terms of eutrophication (increased algae growth) downstream. However, NASA did not dismiss the possibility of downstream eutrophication, but felt that proposed engineering and procedural controls appeared to preclude the possibility of stream degradation.

With respect to viruses, NASA acknowledged that the experts disagreed. However, the agency said it is relying on the expertise of EPA and, if the latter is ready to issue a discharge permit implying that it considers the effluent not to be a health or environmental hazard, NASA will not take a contrary position.

### Rejects Public Hearing

In reply to a request for a public hearing on the EIS, NASA took the position that in light of the numerous hearings held to date, no useful purpose would be served by providing one more hearing for the easement request. NASA also denied the charge that approval of the treatment plant would provide a precedent for the eventual construction and operation of many such plants in the area since "it is unlikely that other plants would require such an easement."

NASA reiterated its position that there are no realistic alternatives other than the granting or denying of the easement. It rejected consideration at this time of locating the plant at the site of the present Western Branch facility, such as was done for the Capital Centre sports arena, because of the delay involved. NASA cited the adverse effects of vandalism, soil erosion, and the dangers of fire and safety hazards attending a large number of unoccupied apartments as outweighing any potential impact on the environment that granting the easement would represent. NASA also noted that postponement would work an economic hardship on the developer who is seeking occupancy of the apartments this summer.

### Sludge Removal

According to EIS, the plant will produce up to 6,500 gallons per day of sludge at maximum utilization, about 15 months after occupancy. The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) will remove the sludge to an existing disposal facility where it will be prepared for utilization in land reclamation projects.

The matter of adequate monitoring was also questioned. NASA maintained that the plant's operating agreement between WSSC and the developer had been reviewed and considered adequate.

### Other Items

On other controversial items, NASA held that (1) moving the point of discharge further downstream is the responsibility of the appropriate State agency, (2) damage to wildlife would not be significant and (3) increase in the volume of the stream would not cause significant stream channel enlargement. The EIS describes the receiving stream as high in nitrogen and nutrient content, choked with rooted plants with limited aquatic species, but not grossly contaminated.

NASA said that it will require that all areas disrupted by the pipeline construction be revegetated so as to avoid permanent scars and erosion.

## Center School Awards

Laura Mongelli and Scott Fitz-enreiter were presented the American Legion awards at Center School's annual awards assembly. Runners-up were Tawanna Palmer and Sudi Dwivedi.

The presidential physical fitness awards indicating that the winners performed better than 85% of U.S. children their age, were given to Laura Mongelli, Vic Boswell and Sterling Tolson. Laura Jackson and Danny Foster were runners-up, winning the gold awards. 24 students received silver awards.

Over 150 other awards, about 50 of them to adult volunteers, were presented at the assembly. Students received awards for helping as patrols, library aides, tutors, kindergarten helpers and for working on the school newspaper. Honorary awards in the American Legion essay contest were won by Lisa Leibe and Lisa Reuben.

Near the close of the assembly the students sang the Center School song which was written by graduating sixth graders in 1969.



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## Sights Too Low

The city council on Monday, August 5, will hold a public hearing to get citizen views on the city acquisition of parkland in parcel 1. Parcel 1 consists of about 100 acres located north of Northway extended between the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. property and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

About two years ago the city received 14 acres of surplus Agricultural Research Center land just east of Parcel 1. Under the terms of the donation by the Federal Government, the city must augment the surplus land with the acquisition of 15 additional acres in parcel 1 and develop a park plan for the two tracts.

The council now has before it plans to purchase about 28 acres of the 100-acre tract. We do not feel that the council has set its sights high enough.

Parcel 1 is one of the last major pieces of undeveloped land in the Greenbelt core. We know only too well from our experiences with other tracts - Smith-Ewing being the latest - that the only way for Greenbelt to make certain that it will control the destiny of vacant land within its boundaries is to acquire ownership of major portions thereof.

We are well aware that a land acquisition program of this nature will be costly and require a bond issue. But the consequences of not acting are worse. It will do the citizens of Greenbelt little good five or ten years from now, when faced with traffic and environmental problems caused by high density development of landlocked parcel 1, to know that their council of 1974 "saved" them several hundred thousands of dollars by not pursuing an aggressive land acquisition program.

What must be remembered is that the city will have only one chance of acquiring the land. Once the land is committed for development, it will be rear guard action from then on to protect the "planned community" concept in Greenbelt.

Let the council be bold and foresighted and ask for voter support for a bond issue to secure the necessary funds for land acquisition.

## "Goodbye, Mr. Brawn"

by Barbara Likowski

"Goodbye, Mr. Brawn." With long faces and sad voices this sentiment was expressed towards the end of the school year in many ways by the pupils, teachers and parents of Center school.

It is hard to say goodbye to someone who has been a friend as well as a principal, to someone who has earned a place in the affections of all who knew him, as had Charles Brawn after only one year as principal of Center.

Farewell gifts took many forms. There was a booklet made by the second graders in Mrs. Fox's room and a brightly colored tie-dyed T shirt and tie made by fourth graders as a Father's Day gift.

From the PTA came a booklet of snapshots taken of Center activities; photos which included Brawn who thought he was posing for the News Review. The album was presented to him at a reception held by the PTA. Other farewell activities included a staff party and a baseball game between the outgoing sixth graders and the Center staff. (With the students winning 10-8)

Each in his own way said goodbye to this principal who was also a friend.

## Porter - Martin

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Porter, 127 Rosewood Dr., announce the engagement of their daughter Barbara Jo to John R. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Martin of State College, Pa.

Miss Porter graduated from the University of Maryland with a B.A. degree in political science in 1973. She is a graduate of Georgetown University Legal Assistant Program.

Mr. Martin graduated from the Pennsylvania State University in June with a B.S. degree in civil engineering. He is a member of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. Mr. Martin is employed by Ebasco Services, Inc., in Jensen Beach, Florida.

An October wedding is planned.

## Boys and Girls Club

by Fred Ford

**Football Practice** - First football practice will be Thurs., Aug. 1, at 6 p.m. on Braden Field.

**Softball Champs** - The 15 and under girls' softball team had an undefeated season, 15-0, to take their division in the Prince Georges County league. Barbara Lake was the coach of this championship team. Congratulations!

**Soccer Film** - All boys and girls playing soccer this year will be shown an exciting film on Soccer at the Youth Center Tues., July 30, at 7:30 p.m.

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County Softball Tournament

Men's 'A' League County Tournament will begin Fri., July 26. Games will be played on Braden Field #2 on Sat., from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and Sun. from 9 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Four teams from the Greenbelt League will play on Sat. morning. Teams participating will be the Greenbelt American Legion, Hyattsville Auto Glass, Hogan's Heroes and Seabrook Bakery.

Lake Park Summer Sounds

The Recreation Dept. is proud to invite all Greenbelters to a pleasant evening of music this Sun., July 28 at 7:45 p.m. at the Greenbelt Lake Park. This performance will feature the talent of the First U.S. Army Stage Band MNCPPC Puppeteers At YC.

On Tues., July 30, at 1:30 p.m. "The Little Engine Theatre presents Favorite Stories and Songs". On Wed., July 31 at 1:30 p.m. a puppet show "Bees, Buds and the Big Blue" will be given by Tony and Sherry in the Youth Center Gym.

## Carnival For Dystrophy

A carnival, benefiting the Muscular Dystrophy Organization, will be held on Sun., July 28, from noon to 5 p.m. at the home of eleven year old Jimmy and nine year old Donna Jacobson, 11-C Laurel Hill. Among the many games featured will be Hoop the Stick, Ball-Toss, etc. There will be a ticket drawing for a stuffed dog and refreshments will be sold.

## ★ Festival News ★

Miss Greenbelt Pageant

A special meeting of all participants in the Miss Greenbelt and Junior Miss Greenbelt pageant will be held on Mon., July 29 at 8 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the library. At least one parent must accompany each participant.

All participants in this year's pageant are to have photographs taken at the home of Tom Freeman, 9 Lakeview Circle on Sat., Aug. 3 at 10 a.m.

Festival Clowns

Hey kids! Get ready to meet the Labor Day Festival Clowns - "The Felsher Family" - Al, Rosemary, Mark, Paul and Nani. The clowns will be handing out prizes in Aug.

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Elaine Skolnik - 474-6060

Greenbelter Martha Plaster placed third in the recent competition to choose the 1974 Prince Georges County Miss World representative for the state finals of the Miss Maryland World Beauty Pageant. Martha is a senior at the University of Maryland majoring in Radio and Television.

Last week youngsters attending Camp Pine Tree went to the Smithsonian.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones of Greenbelt. Brian Keith was born July 7 and tipped the scales at 8 lbs. 8 oz. He joins a sister, Sandy, and his proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Simon Pristoop, 110 Northway.

Happy Birthday to Walter Braun, 20-M Hillside Rd., who will be 4 on Monday.

John Kelly, 121 Lakeside, was named to the Dean's list at Depauw University for the second semester. John is a junior. Congratulations!

Barbara J. Porter, 127 Rosewood Dr., graduated from Georgetown School for Summer and Continuing Education. She was awarded a Legal Assistant Certificate. Barbara is one of the first graduates of the new comprehensive Legal Assistant Program.

**Request for Flashing Sign Taken Under Advisement**

The Prince Georges County Zoning Examiner on July 19 took under advisement a request by the developer of Beltway Plaza for approval to erect a flashing electric sign on the property. The city of Greenbelt went on record to deny the request. A decision is expected within 60 days.

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## Virginia Beauchamp -- Coordinator For Women's Studies At Maryland

by Sandra Barnes

Virginia Beauchamp has been a resident of Greenbelt since 1957 when she and her husband George moved here from their native Michigan. For much of that time Virginia has served on the staff of the *News Review*, mostly as Assistant Editor but doing one short stint as Editor in 1962. Most recently, however, she has embarked on a more innovative career, that of coordinator for Women's Studies at the University of Maryland.

Having received her doctorate in English Literature, specializing in the Renaissance, and having taught courses at Maryland since 1965, she realized during these past few years, when the consciousness of many women around the country was being raised, that she herself knew very little about women's studies. What roles did women play in history, the arts, literature? She never, for a moment, believed that women failed to contribute in any significant way to these movements. Thus began her personal and professional involvement in women's studies.

In June of 1972 Virginia was appointed by the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs to serve on a Committee on Women's studies. This committee was responsible for introducing two experimental courses in the honors program dealing with sex roles. That fall several more courses dealing with the systematic study of women were introduced into the following departments: sociology, French, English, history, education, government and politics, and speech.

These new courses have proved to be very revealing to both students and teachers, commented Virginia. For example she noted that most experiments in psychology have been performed on males but the results would be applied to females as well. Because females never quite fit the patterns, they have been adjudged abnormal, she affirms. Virginia also feels that history has never ascribed to women their important or influential roles, dealing with them merely as the wives of famous men, giving no account of the roles they played in their own right.

Since the 16th Century is Virginia's field of interest, she has devoted much study to women in this era. She has determined through diligent personal research into letters and documents of the period (since women were not mentioned in many books) that female members of the court in Spain, France, Italy and England were well-educated and influential in the thinking of the period. Catherine Parr, last wife of Henry VIII, wrote a treatise called "Lamentations of a Sinner", and many other women were writers and scholars.

Women were important supporters of the Protestant Reformation because of its emphasis on use of the common language of the people and on one's personal conduct as opposed to the use of Latin and high degree of ceremony associated with Catholicism.

Virginia, herself, has done extensive research in the life of the Countess of Pembroke, sister of Sir Philip Sydney, the poet. Realizing that all she knew about the Countess was that she translated a play, Virginia reasoned that the Countess as well as many other women of the Renaissance must have done translations, must have received educations.

In 1973, the Committee on Women's Studies sponsored a series of lectures at Maryland by faculty members interested in women's studies. Virginia states that the response was better than that usually seen at late afternoon lectures, averaging 50-100 students at each. The following summer a program in Women's Studies was proposed with a coordinator as its head—and Virginia became that coordinator in the Spring of 1974.

Though women's studies is still in its infancy at Maryland, three colleges in the country offer a Master's Degree, while many offer courses. The field is a burgeoning one with so much yet to learn. Virginia hopes that Maryland will one day offer a minor in women's studies. Another Greenbelter, Hilcia Smith has become the Chairwoman of the Advisory Committee

which establishes policy on women's courses and also teaches a course on Women in American History.

So far there are 18 courses in nine different departments at Maryland which focus on women. Virginia herself teaches a course in 19th and 20th century English and American women in literature.

Virginia has been instrumental in planning two conferences for the fall on Sex Roles in Modern Society scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 28, and Opportunities for Women in Science and Engineering for Wednesday, Oct. 9. The Chancellor has also appointed her to a Commission on Women's Affairs which has studied the status of women on the College Park campus. The soon-to-be-completed report deals with women's grievances, services, needs not met, and the inequities between men and women in athletics as well as other departments.

Virginia is finding her new position both a revelation and a challenge. She acknowledges that there are many problems for women as they discover who they are and who they can be, as they seek fulfillment for themselves outside of their traditional family-oriented roles. Virginia does not see these problems as insurmountable, but merely as something which needs more study. Just as she has made the adjustment between educator and homemaker for her husband and three children, she feels other women can also.

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The program, featuring interviews with school board members, students, parents, and school officials, will be broadcast over WAMU-FM (88.5) on July 29 at 7 p.m. It will be repeated on July 30 on WETA-FM (90.9) at 7 p.m., and again on July 31 on WGTS-FM (91.9), beginning at 1 p.m.

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The July 30 hearing will be in the Montgomery County Office Building, 100 South Perry Street, in Rockville. The July 31 hearing will be in the City Council Chamber of the Municipal Building, 350 Municipal Square, in Laurel. Both hearings will start at 7:30 p.m.

### D.A.V. Chapter No. 23 Honors Eagle Scout

Mark F. Burchick, 1974 Eagle Scout from Troop 746, was honored at the D.A.V. Chapter #23 regular meeting at the American Legion Post Home, on July 11. Mark's father and Scoutmaster Al Cousin were also present.

Mrs. Katherine A. Basinger, president of the Golden Age Club was given the American Flag for the club lounge. The presentation was made by Commander Frank Lamb and Austin R. Green, Ways and Means chairman.

### The Police Blotter

Increases have been noted in vandalism, particularly in gardens belonging to private citizens, and in equipment used in construction of the new tennis courts to the rear of the Youth Center. As yet, no apprehensions have been made, but it is hoped that increased patrol of the area will yield tangible results.

Three adults and one juvenile, all residents of Seat Pleasant (one a Springhill Lake employee who has since been dismissed) were apprehended breaking into storage lockers in Springhill Lake.

Four juvenile residents were apprehended vandalizing city property in the Center. All are awaiting action of the juvenile court.

A former employee of Springhill Lake apartments was apprehended near the scene of a breaking & entering in the apartment development. Investigation revealed the subject to have in his possession a set of master keys enabling him to enter any apartment in the project. Fingerprints are currently being compared in an effort to close several similar cases.

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